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**From:** Smalley, Bryant [smalley.bryant@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/18/2019 12:44:21 PM  
**To:** Mason, Steve [mason.steve@epa.gov]; Assunto, Carmen [Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov]; Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: quick draft - thoughts?

I Agree. Do we want to add EPA has mobilized our TAGA bus? It will not arrive until Wednesday. Or should we wait until later?

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**From:** Mason, Steve  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2019 7:42 AM  
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You might add that EPA is continuing to conduct air monitoring along with the responsible party and TCEQ.

*With Regards, Steve*



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"Frequently, my thoughts get ahead and walk  
down to my mouth. Often, this is a bad thing."

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**From:** Assunto, Carmen  
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**Draft Desk Statement**

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is working with Unified Command in response to a fire at the International Terminals Corporation Deer Park facility near Houston, TX. EPA has conducted aerial air monitoring with the Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft (ASPECT) and has not measured any significant detections in the vicinity and downwind of the incident. Emergency responders continue to use foam to control and prevent spreading of the fire.

I'll run up the chain after I get your initial input. Thanks. C

Sincerely,

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